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Award Winning Artwork 26th Annual Art & Music Fest

Pembroke Pines, FL (November 4, 2024) -- The City of Pembroke Pines congratulates all the artists who received awards for their artwork at the 26th Annual Art & Music Fest, and the 7th Annual Student Art Competition, which was held on November 2-3, 2024 at the Charles F. Dodge City Center, located at 601 City Center Way.

2024 Art Award Winners

- **Best In Show: Angel Alvarez**
- **Best Painting: Larissa Meek**
- **Best Jewelry: Anthony Mattson - (Rockin' Revelry)**
- **Best Mixed Media: Heidi Begun - (Broken Tile Mosaic)**
- **Best Glass: Joni Esser-Stuart - (Joni's Glass Studio)**
- **Best Digital Art: Beth Amato**
- **Best Drawing: Francisco Padilla - (Tito's Art)**
- **Best Fine Handcrafts: Adriana Bottari - (Bottari Art)**
- **Best Wood: James Clinkscales - (JLC Designs)**

2024 Student Art Winners

Grades K-2



- **1st Place: Mila Zenny** - "*Mandala Elephant*" - Pembroke Pines Charter Elementary Central (Grade 2)
- **2nd Place: Diego O. Hernandez Fieto** - "*Butterflies in My Garden*" - Chapel Trail Elementary (Grade 1)
- **3rd Place: Riva Borkar** - "*Colors of the Sun*" - Pembroke Pines Charter Elementary West (Grade 2)

Grades 3-5



- **1st Place: Pooja Ezhilnilavan** - "*Dog is Love*" - Pembroke Pines Charter Elementary West (Grade 5)
- **2nd Place: Sara Ghimpu** - "*Frida Kahlo*" - Pembroke Pines Art & Cultural Center (Grade 3)
- **3rd Place: Wendy Franco** - "*Whimsical Flower Garden*" - Pembroke Pines Art & Cultural Center (Grade 5)

Grades 6-8



- **1st Place: Astrid Lopez** - "*Blue Reflections*" - Pembroke Pines Charter Academic Village (Grade 8)
- **2nd Place: Lavinnashree Sathiaseelan** - "*Peekaboo Kitty*" - Pembroke Pines Charter Middle West (Grade 8)
- **3rd Place: Ronak Arya** - "*United States Capitol*" - Somerset Academy (Grade 7)

Grades 9-12

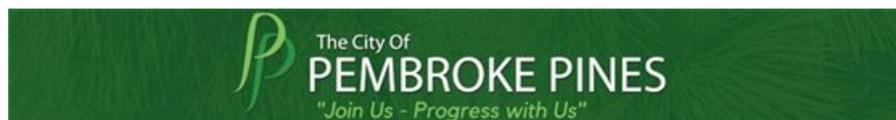


- **1st Place: Lisa Martinez** - "*Brush Strokes in Bloom*" - Pembroke Pines Arts & Cultural Center (Grade 11)
- **2nd Place: Gemely Cruz-Trinidad** - "*Portrait of a Cocker Spaniel*" - Homeschool (Grade 9)
- **3rd Place: Shreenidhi Vasudevan** - "*Unleashing Glory*" - Pembroke Pines Charter High (Grade 10)

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